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Grant Application

1. **Name of Agency Requesting Funding:** Iron County
2. **Name and Title of Contact Person:** David Yardley, County Clerk
Iron County 911 Coordinator
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4. **The Requesting Agency is Seeking Funding from the Utah 911 Committee:**
 - Funding for two (2) additional wireless 9-1-1 cama trunks, including 1 additional cama module and labor.
 - Annual charges for one (1) year for new circuits.
5. **Funding request and justification:**

Iron County is requesting funding for two (2) additional wireless 9-1-1 cama trunks. The increase in wireless 9-1-1 calls was not anticipated in the Phase II upgrade. St. George Police Department is receiving the overflow of wireless 9-1-1 calls that Cedar Communications should be receiving. Iron County is also requesting the first year annual charges for the new circuits are funded. This will allow for Iron County to incorporate the new costs in to next years budget.

The Cedar Communications Center is the Public Safety Answering Point (PSAP) for Iron County. This is a consolidated dispatch center. Any state funds spent on the agency are highly effective. We serve multiple agencies and thus avoid costly duplication. The Iron County PSAP serves all law enforcement agencies, fire and EMS services in Iron County as well as portions of Washington County. These include Iron County Sheriff's Office and Ambulance, Cedar City Police and Fire, Enoch City Police, Parowan Police and Fire, Brian Head Public Safety and Fire, Paragonah Fire, Beryl Fire, New Castle Fire, Kanarraville Fire, New Harmony Fire, Enterprise Ambulance and Fire Departments. We also serve all state and federal agencies throughout a four county area as well as through the Arizona strip which include: Utah Highway Patrol, State Parks and Recreation, Division of Wildlife Resources, Adult Probation and Parole, Arizona Department of Public Safety, Bureau of Land Management and State Lands and Forestry.

The total cost of the project is \$5,232.00. See attachment A. ***We are asking the 911 Committee for \$5,232.00 in grant funding to pay for the additional trunks to allow the communications center to handle the additional Phase II 911 wireless calls.***

6. Demographics:

Iron County is the third fastest growing county in Utah, behind Summit and Washington Counties. The population base is 41,397. Iron County has a land base of 3,298 square miles. The Iron County PSAP dispatches for all state and federal agencies within in WashingtonCounty, Iron, Beaver and Millard Counties. This additional area added to Iron County covers 14,904 square miles. Source used is the U.S. Census Bureau. The center also dispatches Arizona DPS along I-15 between St. George and Mesquite Nevada.

The Southern Utah University campus is located within Iron County in Cedar City. The student population for this current semester is 6,923 students.

Winter recreation within our coverage area includes two ski resorts; Brian Head and Mt. Holly. Other winter sporting events include snowmobiling, cross-country skiing and snow boarding. Brian Head Chamber of Commerce estimates 140,000 skiers per snow season to Brian Head.

Tourists attractions within our dispatch area include; 3 national parks, Zion, Kolob, and Cedar Breaks as well as Dixie National Forrest. There are 9 state parks and recreational areas; Sand Hollow, Quail, Gunlock, Snow Canyon, Coral Pink Sand Dunes, Iron Mission, Minersville, New Castle Reservoir, Enterprise Reservoir. Major events in our area include; Utah Summer Games (which receives approximately 57,000 visitors per year), Utah Shakespearean Festival (which receives approximately 140,000 visitors per year), Intermountain Rock Crawling (IROC) and Utah Rock Crawling (UROC) competitions.

Within our dispatch area there are 28 state roads; I-15, I-70, SR56, SR130, SR14, SR143, SR20, SR18, SR271, SR274, SR148, SR9, SR59, SR17, SR318, SR21, SR257, SR153, SR160, SR159, SR6, SR50, SR6/50, SR100, SR133, SR132, SR174 and SR125. Old 91 is a county road that runs through Iron and Washington Counties. There are thousands of miles of dirt roads, which are used for recreational and ranching purposes.

With the increase of tourism and increased use of wireless telephone, our center call volume has doubled over the last 5 years. Some of the calls we have seen an increase in are; reckless drivers, car crashes, drunk drivers, road hazards, motorists assists, and lost or injured hikers. Wireless telephones are beginning to replace a lot of fixed wire-line telephones. Domestic, assaults, and civil complaints are also on the rise.

The Iron County PSAP serves the needs of county residents and travelers with a staff of 11 full time dispatchers, two supervisors and one manager. The 9 state roads and I-15 in Iron County alone received an annual average daily traffic count totaling over 44,443 vehicles on our roadways. We see an urgent need to provide wireless service to local and traveling wireless phone customers. Which is why Iron County made the purchase to upgrade 911 hardware and software to Plant Equipment VESTA PALLAS system. This system also is equipped with Orion Map Manager and Mapstar. The Iron County GIS Department has actively been working to map and address the county. Iron County has provided mapping for the Plant Equipment Map Manager program and assist in mapping and addressing changes that are required.

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6. Budget Detail Worksheet:

Information is provided on "**Attachment A**". This document includes a description of the equipment cost for all equipment purchased.

Wayne Smith, Chairman
Iron County Commissioner

Date

David Yardley, County Clerk
9-1-1 Coordinator

Date